

# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

**DECISION TAKEN BY:**

Eric Hotson, Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services

**DECISION NO:**

18/00065

**For publication**

**Key decision: YES**

**Subject Matter / Title of Decision Storage Replacement Solution**

**Decision:**

The Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services authorises the Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services to award the contract(s) for the provision of a replacement storage solution including the necessary contractual negotiations and enter into any subsequent necessary legal agreements.

**Reason(s) for decision:**

A key decision is required owing to the contract levels exceeding the financial criteria for Key Decisions as set out in the Council's constitution. This decision will result in a contract with supplier to deliver the required ICT hardware to deliver the new storage solution.

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**

*Rebecca Spore* (Director of Infrastructure) and *Mark Garbett* (Portfolio Assurance Manager) were in attendance for this item.

- 1) Ms Spore introduced the report which set out the requirement to deliver a new data storage infrastructure which would allow Kent County Council to replace the existing end of life hardware.
  - a) In response to a question, Mr Garbett said that all of the data that Kent County Council held would be accessible after the hardware had been replaced.
  - b) In response to a question, Ms Spore said that although the Storage Area Network (SAN) Replacement Programme decision and the Data Centre Exit Strategy decision were interlinked in terms of timing of implementation, the decisions were separate.
  - c) In response to a question, Ms Spore referred to the cost of the SAN Replacement Programme and said that it would not add to the cost of the Data Centre Exit Strategy.
  - d) In response to a question, Mr Garbett said that the SAN replacement programme would accommodate the services systematic requirements for approximately ten years.
- 2) It was RESOLVED that the decision to be made by the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services to:
  - i) delegate the award of contracts with a provider for the purchase of new primary and secondary hardware, including the necessary contractual negotiations and enter into any subsequent necessary legal agreements, to be endorsed.

**Any alternatives considered and rejected:**

None

**Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:**

no



signed

11<sup>th</sup> January 2019

date